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For: System And Method For Providing A Timing Reference For Data
Transmissions In A Satellite-Based Communications Network

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October 19, 2001

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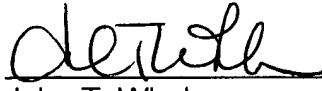
Applicant filed a utility application in the above-identified application on January 5, 2001. The sole inventor refused to sign the declaration and assignment documents at the time of filing. On June 15, 2001, the undersigned thus filed a petition under 37 CFR 1.47(b) to make the patent application for patent on behalf of and as agent for the inventor in this case. According to the PTO Office of Petitions, Petitions Examiner Alesia M. Brown, the petition has not been received by the Petitions Office.

In the interim, the inventor has now executed the declaration and applicant is filing such document herewith. Applicant's previously filed Rule 47(b) Petition is now deemed moot and need not be considered by the Office.

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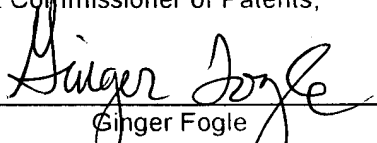
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the specification of which:

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